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As a below named inventor, I hereby declare that: My residence, post office address and citizenship are as stated below next to my name, I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled: ORTHOTIC, the application of which is attached hereto.

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above identified specifications, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to be which is material to the examination of this application as defined in Section 1.56. I hereby claim foreign priority benefits under title 35, United States Code, Section 119 of any foreign application(s) for patent or inventor's certificate or of any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America listed below and have also identified below any foreign application(s) for patent or inventors certificate or any PCT international application(s) designating at least one country other than the United States of America filed by me on the same subject matter having a filing date before that of the application(s) of which priority is claimed.

Prior Foreign Application(s)

Prior Claim

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Yes No

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Yes No

I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, Section 120 of any United States application(s) listed below and insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States application(s) in the manner provided by the first paragraph of Title 35, United States Code, Section 112. I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the Office all information known to me which is material to the examination of this application as defined in Section 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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As a named inventor, I hereby appoint Auzville Jackson, Jr., Reg. No. 17,306, as my attorney to prosecute this application, and transact all business in the Patent and Trademark Office connected therewith and to act on my behalf below the competent International Authorities in connection with any and all international applications filed by me and of which I am the sole applicant and to receive payments on my behalf.

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